

# Bilge Water Reclamation Facilities

- ★ **Brownsville Navigation District**  
1000 Foust Rd.  
Brownsville, Texas 78521  
956-831-4592
- ★ **Freeport/Western Seafood**  
401 West Brazos St.  
Freeport, Texas 77541  
979-233-2625 or 979-233-2624
- ★ **Palacios/Matagorda County Navigation District**  
1602 Main Street  
Palacios, Texas 77465  
361-972-5556 or 361-972-2506
- ★ **Port Isabel/San Benito Navigation District**  
250 Industrial Drive  
Port Isabel, Texas 78578  
956-943-7826
- ★ **Port Lavaca/Port Commission**  
202 North Virginia  
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979  
361-552-2615 or 361-552-9793
- ★ **Port O'Connor/Calhoun County Pct. 4**  
Trevor St.  
Port O'Connor, Texas 77982  
361-785-3141
- ★ **Rockport/Aransas County Navigation-South Cover Harbor**  
District #1  
911 Navigation Circle  
Rockport, Texas 78382  
361-729-6661
- ★ **Seadrift/Calhoun County Pct. 4**  
104 East Dallas  
Seadrift, Texas 77983  
361-785-3141
- **Sabine Pass**  
Destroyed by Hurricane Rita
- **Galveston Island**  
Possible future location

# Skid Mounted Bilge Units/Used Oil Units

- 1 **Erickson & Jenson Seafood Packers –Conn Brown Harbor**  
263 Bigelow Street  
Aransas Pass, Texas 78376  
361-758-5642
- 1 **T & D Marine Repairs – Conn Brown Harbor**  
410 Bigelow Street  
Aransas Pass, Texas 78336  
361-758-7500
- 2 **City of Corpus Christi Municipal Marina L-Head**  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78469  
361-826-3980
- 3 **City of Port Aransas – Fulton Harbor**  
710 W Avenue A  
Port Aransas, Texas 78313  
361-749-5429
- 3 **Fisherman's Wharf (GAM-FW, Inc.)**  
900 N. Tarpon  
Port Aransas, TX 78373  
361-749-5448
- 4 **Fulton Harbor/Aransas County Navigation District-City Dock**  
911 Navigation Circle  
Fulton, Texas 78382  
361-729-6661



- 5 **Port Mansfield/Willacy County Navigation District**  
400 W. Hidalgo, Suite 200  
Raymondville, Texas 78580  
(Facility in Port Mansfield)  
956-689-3332

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# OIL SPILL PREVENTION AND RESPONSE BILGE WATER RECLAMATION PROGRAM



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## Bilge water Reclamation Program

**A**s its name implies, this program works with port authorities, navigation districts and other parties to prevent small oil spills, which are devastating to fish, shrimp and plankton. Given the Texas General Land Office's limited resources, it makes more sense to prevent spills, than to cleanup afterward.



The program combines education with free disposal to discourage dumping of bilge water and motor oil in gulf and bay waters. Part of the challenge is convincing the public that small spills are as harmful as large spills when multiplied by hundreds of individual acts per year.

While it seems illogical to harm the source of one's livelihood, it's not always inexpensive or easy to properly dispose of oil or bilge water. Luckily, a way to make legal disposal more attractive was devised.

The Bilge Water Reclamation Program was established along the Texas coast as an innovative response to the large number of spills from commercial and recreational vessels. Contaminated bilge water can result in thousands of dollars worth of environmental damage and cleanup costs while adversely affecting the state and local economies. These spills kill shrimp and fish larvae and the livelihood of local fishermen. Without the benefit of these bilge water facilities, unlawful discharges of oil and contaminated water will continue to occur along the Gulf Coast.

These facilities provide vessel owners/operators with an environmentally responsible way to dispose of oily bilge water at no cost and save the state expenditures on spill response and cleanup costs.

There are thousands of commercial fishing and recreational vessel owners along the Texas Gulf Coast who must deal with the disposal of their contaminated bilge water. The cooperative development of the Bilge Water Reclamation Program by the Land Office and its partners has proven to have a positive impact on water quality along the Texas coast.

## Over 1.8 million gallons of bilge water collected



**Contaminated bilge water can result in thousands of dollars worth of environmental damage and cleanup costs while adversely affecting the state and local economies.**

## Over 1.7 million gallons of used oil collected

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**The Land Office would like to meet with organizations interested in a bilge water reclamation facility for their communities.**



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